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Community Calendar

Memorial Day parade set for 10 a.m. May 27

The annual Memorial Day Parade in Northville is set to begin at 10 a.m. May 27. The Parade is an observance to honor and mourn the US military personnel who have died while serving in the United States Armed Forces. Spectators line the streets in a show of support to remember the fallen. The parade with start on Griswold Street and proceed West on Main Street, South on Wing Street, then West on Cady Street, briefly stopping at Oakwood Cemetery. It then proceeds South on First Street, ending at Rural Hill Cemetery where there will be a memorial service.

Lions Club hosts Plymouth parade

A Memorial Day Parade is planned in Plymouth on May 29. The event will begin at the city Cultural Center and travel through the city and various locations. The parade is sponsored by the Plymoyuth Lions Club.

The Fine Art Gallery

The Fine Art Gallery at the Village Arts Factory will present the featured artwork of artist Rick Goff in a special exhibit, entitled "Images of Spring (Mostly)", which is on public display now through May 28.
A painter for more than 40 years, Goff's exhibit features a range of his work, subject matter, and representational style.
Admission to the exhibit is free and open to the public during gallery hours. The Arts Factory is located at 50755 Cherry Hill Road in Canton, MI, 48188.

For more information call (734) 386-0650 or visit https://villageartsfactory.com/artgallery.

Registration for Children's Grief Camp is now open

Registration is now open for campers and volunteers at the "Getting on Par with Grief" New Hope Kid's Camp designed for children ages 4 - 14 who have experienced the death of a loved one.. Register to join the July 25 - 26, camp at Maybury Farm. This program is free to participants, but registration by June 28 is required.

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Construction under way at $44 million services complex

Members of the Northville Township Police Department (including therapy dog Max) and the Northville Township Fire Department join together at the groundbreaking of the Essential Services Complex, the future Public Safety Headquarters for Northville Township.

Northville Township took a step into the future of public safety last week with the official groundbreaking at the 96,000-square-foot Essential Services Complex (ESC).

The new complex will include a second fire station to reduce response times to the northeast quadrant of the community, as well as a new state-of-the-art police headquarters. The building will provide a new temporary holding facility, a garage to protect cruisers' sensitive electronic equipment, an expanded dispatch center and multiple shared spaces for police and fire to eliminate redundancies, officials said.

The new building is also the future headquarters for the Township Department of Public Works, which has outgrown the current facility, and to a Northville Parks & Recreation facility. The recreation building will serve as a trailhead to Legacy Park, providing parkgoers with restrooms and running water, officials said.

"We are laying the foundation for a safer, stronger and more resilient Northville Township—one that will continue to thrive and flourish for years to come," said Northville Township Manager Todd L. Mutchler.

Northville Township Director of Public Safety and Chief of Police Scott Hilden agreed.

"The Essential Services Complex will make us more efficient, more effective and it will save lives," he said.

Guests at the ceremony got a peek at the footprint of the building being constructed at Seven Mile Road and Traditions Drive, west of Haggerty Road. The Essential Services Complex will occupy 4.3 percent of the 350-acre Legacy Park, leaving the remaining acreage for recreation. The site was once occupied by the former Northville State Psychiatric Hospital, which closed in 2003.

In 2022, Northville Township had 11 asbestos-clad buildings on site which were demolished after removal of hazardous materials. Only one building remains and it will be repurposed for a yet-to-be-determined Northville Parks & Recreation building.

"We are taking steps today to transform this site to be a beacon for our residents, whether they are in need of service from our Police and Fire Departments, our Water & Sewer team or want to walk in the park," Township Supervisor Mark J. Abbo said. "This is an exciting day for the future of Northville Township."

The possible remodeling of the current Public Safety Headquarters on Six Mile Road was evaluated by outside consultants who determined that a new building would be more cost efficient. With the need for a second fire station in the township to ensure efficient response times, were determining factors in the construction of the new $44 million building, officials noted. Northville Township secured a low-interest rate for $15 million in bonds to partially finance construction the ESC. Other funding sources include enterprise funds, general funds, public safety funds and grant funding, according to a statement from the township.

Construction management firm Cunningham-Limp, Partners in Architecture and OHM Advisors are collaborating to build the ESC, expected to be complete next spring.

"On behalf of the board of trustees, I want to thank all of those involved in making the new Essential Services Complex a reality," Abbo said. "Our residents deserve this nod to their safety. We are taking a big step forward to continue to deliver exceptional public service for those who live, work and play in Northville Township."

11 candidates seek terms on Plymouth Township board

Plymouth Township voters will have a wide selection of candidates seeking election to the board of trustees with 11 Republican candidates seeking four expiring terms. The field will be reduced to four Republicans in the Aug. 8 primary race and those top three vote getters will face the three Democrats, Robert Miler, Angela Nolan and Michael Westra who have filed for election.

Republican incumbents Jennifer Buckley, Audrey Monaghan and John Stewart have filed for reelection and will be challenged in the primary by Mark Clinton, Gregory Bill, Daniel Callahan, Sandra Groth and Paul Schulz.

Longtime Trustee Chuck Curmi is challenging incumbent Supervisor Kurt Heise for the top township office. Curmi, 69, has opposed much of the development in the township while Heise, 58, has been a proponent of development in the community.

Curmi has been reelected to the township board every four years since his first term beginning in 1992. He is a retired automotive and product development manager and a lifelong township resident.

An attorney, Heise served as state representative for the 20th House District from 2011-2016 when he was term limited from seeking reelection. He was elected to the supervisor's office by write-in votes in 2016. He was reelected in 2020.

Incumbent Township Clerk Jerry Vorva, 71, will be challenged on the Republican side of the primary ballot by Andrew Miller. The winner of the primary will face Democrat Nancy Conzelman, a former township clerk, on the November ballot.

Current Treasurer Bob Doroshewitz, 62, will also face a Republican challenger in August. Janai Stepp, 54, hopes to be the Republican candidate in November. Doroshewitz, a long-time township trustee, was appointed in 2022 to replace former treasurer Mark Clinton who resigned due to health issues.

Money Talks

Rotary donates funding for 88.1 upgrades

Rotary Foundation President Warren Musson, Club President elect James Gietzen, Student Radio Station Program Director Anuya Shetty, club President Chris Porman and Plymouth City Manager and Rotarian Paul Sincock are all smiles following the announcement of the $200,00 grant to the 50-year-old station last week.

Plymouth Canton school radio station 88.1 is $200,000 closer to needed upgrades at the 50-year-old student operated facility.
During a special meeting of members of the Plymouth Noon Rotary Club at Salem High School, club officers announced a $200,000 grant to the student station to fund significant improvements to broadcast equipment and studio space. The funds will be matched through station fund raising and used to complete a studio expansion, that will also provide for a video element and podcasting.
The student station has operated from the same space for half a century, noted Station Manager Bill Keith, and the equipment is in need of significant upgrades.
The station launched an amplification capital campaign on May 10 to raise funds to convert a classroom into a series of editing, recording, and interview studios, a staff room, and storage space.
The $517,000 estimate for the capital campaign includes architecture fees, construction costs, HVAC considerations, sound attenuation measures, enhanced lighting, security considerations, ADA accessibility, video capabilities, and significant equipment purchases and upgrades resulting in four additional studios, Keith explained.

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27-year veteran Northville police officer retires

Northville Police Department Capt. Greg Hannewald was honored for his 27 years of public safety service with a retirement celebration at city hall this month.

Hannewald's family, staff and members of the city council along with police colleagues, active and retired attended the event honoring Hannewald. Mayor Brian Turnbull read a resolution that proclaimed May 15, 2024 as Capt. Greg Hannewald Day in the city of Northville.

Hannewald spent his entire career at the Northville Police Department. He started as a part-time officer in 1996, became full-time 15 months later, and advanced steadily – from detective in March 2006 to sergeant four months later, to captain in July 2020.

One of the advantages he had as a young officer was name recognition – his father, Norm, was a 7th grade life science teacher in the Northville Public School District and many students and parents extended the favorable connection from father to son, officials noted.

Hannewald said building relationships with residents, business owners and his brothers (and sisters) in blue meant the most to him. On a rough day, when he had to deliver news of a death to relatives, he did so with compassion while also deeply feeling the loss. On the best of days, when he had saved a life, he said he felt a deep sense of fulfillment in his chosen career.

When the downtown was part of his patrol duties, Hannewald said he got to know the shop owners and people who worked there and made his visibility a priority. The Business Watch program set up by the department strengthens that bond, he said and a new camera set up downtown adds a downtown safety measure.

Education provided Hannewald with the right skill set for the job, he said. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice from Ferris State University in 1996. He is a 2017 graduate of the 33rd session of the School of Police Staff and Command sponsored through Eastern Michigan University. He has attended the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police New Chief and Executive School, as well as the Michigan Police Executive Development seminar hosted by the Detroit Office of the FBI.

Hannewald recalled that when he started at the Northville department, there were no in-car video cameras and DNA evidence was just beginning. Adding those components has vastly improved police procedures by aiding in arrests and obtaining justice for victims, he said. The use of body-worn cameras has been another positive aspect. "Body cams have been beneficial in a lot of ways," he said. "They are used for evidence collection and also help reduce liability for police officers because it shows what the facts are.

"As a whole, technology has served to improve policing," Hannewald said. "It's given us more tools to solve crimes and provide top-notch policing to the community."

While on patrols in the early days, he said he liked taking a case from start to finish. That involved investigative work, crime scene evidence collection, interviews, and even going to court when needed. Past assignments included being a field training program officer and program supervisor, an evidence technician, a member of the serious/fatal Accident Investigation team and an instructor in defensive tactics.

Throughout his career, Hannewald was active in both the Northville Police Officer Association, holding leadership positions, and the Northville Command Officer Association, serving as president of both groups. He has served on both sides of the table on bargaining teams and has successfully negotiated several labor agreements.

For the past four years, he has been an administrator, managing day-to-day operations of the department. He has found it "most gratifying to be able to watch this department grow and advance professionally."

"He will be missed," said Police Chief Alan Maciag. "Captain Hannewald is a hard worker who has dedicated the past 27 years to citizens of Northville. He has had many accomplishments and successes throughout his career," Maciag said. "His dedication, professionalism and integrity have helped shape the department into what is it today. I am proud to have worked with Captain Hannewald for the past few years and wish him the best."

Capt. Greg Hannewald

Hannewald said his plans for retirement include finding another job when the time and opportunity are right. He also He also plans to travel and resume deer hunting in the fall. For the summer, he wants to spend more quality time with his two teen daughters and wife, Rochelle.

Retired Northville Ofc. Dave Fendelet,at left, Ofc. Glen Stewart, Capt. Norm Kubitsky and Ofc. Pete Davis were on hand to help Capt. Greg Hannewald celebrate his retirement.Also attending the retirement party were, standing, from left, Det. Erin Larkin; Patrick Lindberg, school safety administrator/officer; returning Cap. Dustin Kruger; Police Chief Al Maciag; Hannewald; former Police Chief Mike Carlson; Sgt. Andrew Kirby; Ofc. Frank Cerulla and retired Ofc.Ken DeLano. Photo by Liz Cezat

Rotary

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The grant from the Rotary Foundation will make these goals more attainable, noted Rotary member and Superintendent of Plymouth-Canton Schools Monica Merritt as she thanked the club members for the donation during the special luncheon.

"We often don't know the difference we make in people's lives," she told the crowded meeting room "This grant will help us get our students prepared for the world. You'll continue to hear your input," she said.

The planned upgrades will allow for significantly more student participation and more than double the current studio space, allowing for more on-air content, recorded news/programming, and edited news podcasts, Keith said. These upgrades will put the broadcasting environment at 88.1 the Park on par with professional studio space—helping to maintain their award-winning broadcasting quality, while creating a more professional experience for students and studio guests, he added.

Rotary President Chris Porman said the grant, announced by Warren Mussen, president of the Rotary Foundation, was a reflection of the club members' values.

"This was important to our club belief in the power of education and communication and ultimately community building," Porman said.

The grant was awarded, in part, in recognition of the centennial anniversary of the Plymouth Rotary Club, originally founded in 1924. The student station must raise another $200,000 in order to receive the grant before Dec. 31, 2026.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed proposals at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, June 6, 2024, for the following:

REMOVAL AND REPLACMENT SERVICES FOR ROOM DIVIDER PARTITIONS AT FELLOWS CREEK GOLF COURSE

Proposals may be downloaded on the MITN Purchasing Group website at https://www.bidnetdirect.com/mitn/cantontownship or you may contact Mike Sheppard at: mike.sheppard@cantonmi.gov . All proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of proposal opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

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INVITATION TO BID

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